

Rodington Parish Council

Council Meeting

Minutes of Rodington Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 1 July 2009 at 7.30 pm at Rodington Village Hall.

Present: Councillors J French (Chairman), D Johnson (Vice Chairman), and B Ashton, C Broderick, T Osborne, J Perkin and L Tudor.

Clerk: Alison Hinks.

2076/00 Chairman's Welcome and Announcements

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and member of the public to the meeting.

2077/00 Public Session and Matters of Concern

Cllr Kiernan reported that the potholes along Church Road, Rodington, will be filled and it is hoped that T&W Highways Department will paying for this work.

One member of the public attended regarding planning application W2009/0498 – Erection of detached outbuilding to provide accommodation ancillary to the dwelling at Coppice House, Rodington Heath.

2078/00 Apologies

Apologies were accepted from Borough Councillors T Kiernan and J Seymour.

2079/00 Declaration of Interest

Cllr Broderick as Treasurer of Longdon upon Tern Village Hall Committee declared a prejudicial interest under item 2082/00 of the agenda for payment for room hire. Cllr Broderick did not leave the meeting when this item was discussed.

2080/00 Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3 June 2009

The minutes of the meeting of 3 June 2009 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Perkin and seconded by Cllr Tudor. The proposals were unanimously approved and the minutes accordingly signed by the Chairman.

2081/00 Clerk's Report

- Following the last meeting the Clerk forwarded the Rodington Parish Council External Audit paperwork to Mazars and is still waiting for feedback. The 'Notice of appointment of date for the exercise of elector's right' will be displayed on noticeboard throughout the Parish from 6 July 2009.

- Below are the resent planning applications and their outcomes:

Application No.	Applicant	Description	RPC Response	Committee Outcome
Type	Correspondence details	Location	Date needed by T&W	Date
Date	Committee/Delegated	Planning Officer		
W2009/0211	South West Law Ltd 1 Hide Market West Street	Siting of static caravan, one touring caravan and two	The Parish Council are objecting to this application on the ground	T&W Planning Board have requested a site visit and Environment

	Bristol BS2 0BH	sheds 5 Marsh Green, Rodington, Shropshire	that this is a green field site and will extend Marsh Green which has been protected against development. There are no shops within the vicinity and there is no transport available for children to get to School.	Health and the Environment Agency to put together a report for Planning Board on 10.06.09. Granted on 10.06.09 Conditions: - Granted for 3 years to assess impact of use and access - To be resided by family only - Outbuildings for the existing dwelling and not for residential/business purposes - Drainage to be completed and approved before the dwelling is occupied
W2009/0343 Listed Building 27 APR 2009	Mr Kevin McDonald Mr Andrew Lockley 3 Maple Drive Heath farm Shrewsbury SY1 3SE Delegated	Installation of 2no. solar panels on the side roof slope of property 2, Drury Lane, Rodington, Shropshire. Tom Lewis 380380	No objections	Granted
W2009/0344 Listed Building 27 APR 2009	Mr Kevin McDonald Mr Andrew Lockley 3 Maple Drive Heath Farm Shrewsbury SY1 3SE Delegated	Erection of a porch/covered way to rear (Retrospective) 2, Drury Lane, Rodington, Shropshire. Tom Lewis 380380	No objections	Granted
W2009/0378 Full Planning 05 MAY 2009	Mr James Buckley Berrys Willow House East Shrewsbury Business Park Shrewsbury SY2 6LG Delegated	Retention of temporary dwelling for a period of two years Longdon Livery, Tern Lane, Longdon-on-Tern, Shropshire Tom Lewis 380380	Concerns with the application: - the original application recommended that the application would be reviewed after a year to see if profits had been made on the business. The paperwork received showed that no profits have been made but it is anticipated that profits will be made next financial year, - it was obvious from the original application that permanent accommodation was needed as overnight supervision of the horses is needed - the amount of traffic up and down Tern Lane is a concern as this is a single lane track, with no pavements outside the houses.	No decision as of 23.06.09

- An updated list of all outstanding potholes throughout the parish (listed below) have been passed on to Cllr Kiernan who will chase with T&W Highways Department.

Location:	Progress:
Outside Sugden Farm, Sugden Lane, Rodington	
On the bend by the White Fence down from Sugden Farm, Sugden Lane, Rodington	
T junction of The Dell, Rodington	
Entrance to the car park of The Bull public house, Rodington	
Junction of Sunningdale, opposite the bus stop in Rodington Heath	
Junction next to the Bus Stop/opposite Sunningdale, Rodington Heath	
T junction of Drury Lane, Somerwood	
Opposite electric substation, Drury Lane, Somerwood	
Junction of Mercian Masterplan on Drury Lane, Somerwood	

- The Clerk reported to Jaswant Sidhu, T&W Footpaths Department, the moved footpath at Isombridge Farm, Isombridge and also the blocked footpath no. 3 from Lower Farm Lane and a site visit is expected.
- The Clerk reported the discarded road signs at the end of Drury Lane/ by Silverdale Farm, Somerwood to T&W Fly Tipping Hotline.
- The Clerk is due to meet the T&W Burial Officer on 7 July 2009 to assist with working procedures for Rodington Cemetery.
- The Clerk has not received any further details on the proposed community fruit trees to be planted in the Parish.

2082/00 Financial Statements

- **Bank Reconciliation and Spreadsheet**
The Clerk went through the bank reconciliation from 29 May 2009 until 23 June 2009 showing a calculated balance of £6,769.6. A copy of the bank statement is available to members.
- The Clerk also went through the RPC Income and Expenditure spreadsheet for the month of May 2009 showing:
 - total income of £0.37
 - total expenditure of £356.77
 - VAT reimbursement of £0.00
- The Clerk circulated a list of payments and transfers for June 2009. All payment and transfers were authorised by Cllr Broderick and Cllr Johnson:

Authorised Bank Transfer from BMM Account to Treasurers Account

Date	Drawn From	Bank Reference	Amount
23.06.09	BMM	IBT	£300.00
		Total	£300.00

Authorised Cheque Payments from Treasures Account

Date	Payee	Cheque Number	Amount
23.06.09	Post Office Ltd	100072	£42.20
23.06.09	SALC	100073	£20.00
23.06.09	Hughes Fabrications	100074	£100.00
23.06.09	Longdon upon Tern Village Hall	100075	£10.00
		Total	£172.20

Authorised Internet Bank Transfers from Treasures Account

Date	Payee	Bank Reference	Amount
23.06.09	Alison Hinks	IBP	£169.30
23.06.09	Alison Hinks	IBP	15.27
		Total	£184.57

- The accounts were proposed as an accurate record by Cllr Broderick, seconded by Cllr Johnson, unanimously agreed by the Council and approved and signed by the Chairman.

2083/00 All Planning Matters

- W2009/0473 – Erection of an agricultural storage building with creation of access road and hardstanding at 10 Rushmoor Lane, Bratton
Resolved: The Clerk to contact T&W Planning Department to ask for confirmation that the applicant is genuinely using the building for agricultural purposes. If this is the case, Rodington Parish Council have no objections to the planning application.
- W2009/0498 – Erection of detached outbuilding to provide accommodation ancillary to the dwelling at Coppice House, Rodington Heath
Resolved: The Clerk to contact T&W Planning Department to confirm that Rodington Parish Council have no objections to the revised planning application.
- W2009/0490 – Conversion of single dwelling into 2no. dwellings at Longdon Mill Farmhouse, Longdon upon Tern
Resolved: The Clerk to contact T&W Planning Department to confirm that Rodington Parish Council have no objections to the planning application.
- W2009/0491 – Conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to provide 4no. residential units at Longdon Mill Farm Barns, Longdon upon Tern
Resolved: The Clerk to contact T&W Planning Department to confirm that Rodington Parish Council have no objections to the planning application.

2084/00 Request for grant towards 'The Church Times'

The Church Times is a bi-monthly newsletter produced by villages/churches of Withington, Upton Magna and Uffington and have asked for a contribution towards the annual cost of producing and distributing to all households in the Parish. Rodington Parish Council makes up one third of the circulation.

Resolved: The Clerk to contact the Treasurer of The Church Times to ask how much the other Parish Council's contribution towards the newsletter, the numbers printed and the income generated from advertising/amount of free advertising.

2085/00 Response from Michael Barker following the Annual Parish Meeting

Cllr French confirmed that she has had lengthy correspondence with Valerie Hulme, T&W Planning Department, regarding discussions that took place with Michael Barker at the Annual Parish Meeting. Valerie Hulme's response gave the Parish Council a better understanding of the planner's reasoning behind decisions made about planning applications and appeals. Councillors acknowledged and thanked Cllr French for her hard work on this matter.

2086/00 T&W Allotment Strategy

T&W Council are currently carrying out a survey of existing allotment provision across the borough with a view to developing an Allotment Strategy.

Resolved: The Clerk to respond to the survey, as outlined below:

Q1. Rodington Parish Council is not aware of any other provision for allotments within the Parish.

Q2. There is no perceived demand for allotments within Rodington Parish Council.

Q3. Rodington Parish Council do have a Parish Plan but allotments do not feature in the Plan.

Q4. T&W Council and the local community would be able to suggest areas where allotments could be provided.

Q5. If there was a local demand for allotments, Rodington Parish Council would be interested in getting involved in developing and managing a site.

Q6. An allotment site in Rodington Parish would need to be funded by T&W Council.

2087/00 Post Box at Rodington Heath

The Clerk has received letters from the Royal Mail and Mr Smith from Rodington Heath regarding the siting of the post box in Rodington Heath. Mr Smith is still requesting that the post box is relocated. The Royal Mail now considers this case closed unless there is a majority request to relocate the post box.

Resolved: The Clerk to write to Mr Smith to inform him that Rodington Parish Council considered his request but their opinion has not changed and they do not want the post box relocating and similarly to the Royal Mail, the Parish Council now consider this case closed. The Clerk to also write to the Royal Mail to state firmly that Rodington Parish Council is unanimously against the post box being moved.

2088/00 T&W ID Badges

SALC Wrekin Area Committee has contacted the Parish Council to advise that Councillors would purchase a T&W ID Badge to be used on official parish business.

Resolved: The Clerk to inform WAC that Rodington Parish Council do not want to purchase ID Badges.

2089/00 Playbuilder Project

The Clerk informed the Parish Council that Rodington has been selected to be part of the first stage of the Playbuilder project and have a grant of £50,000 to dismantle and replace existing play equipment on Rodington playing fields. During the autumn 2009 local residents and local children will be consulted on the style of play equipment.

2090/00 Reports on Meetings Attended by Members and Ward Councillors

Cllr Broderick attended T&W Rural Forum which confirmed that:

- £20,000 has been earmarked for rural areas
- T&W Council also have £1 million to spend on highways throughout the borough
- TCAT were able to run courses within village halls
- Traffic and speed management is on-going
- The PCT Health Issues Group will be expanded to rural areas
- Extra funding has been made available for Rights of Way and the parish councils have been asked for suggestions on how this should be spent
- Local Access Forum has been set up including the views of horse riders, walkers and local land owners.

The meeting also looked at communication which encouraged neighbouring Parish Councils to meet. Cllr Broderick to represent Longdon upon Tern Village Hall at a T&W Village Halls Group being held on 13 July 2009.

2091/00 Correspondence

Parish Forum arranged for 21 July 2009 to be attended by Cllr Johnson.

All other consultation documentation and correspondence to be circulation to members throughout the month.

2092/00 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Rodington Parish Council is arranged for 7.30 pm on Wednesday 2 September 2009 at Longdon upon Tern Village Hall.

The business of the meeting was concluded and the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

Signed:.....
Chairman

Date:.....